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MEDIA ADVISORY

Final Back to School Health Fair Offers a Healthy Start to the School Year Mayor Barrett to Tour Set Up at South Division High School

With School Starting Next Week, This South Side Health Fair Provides Needed Health Services and School Supplies to Milwaukee Children

MILWAUKEE – Thousands of students are expected to attend the Milwaukee Health Department's Back to School Health Fair at South Division High School Friday. On Thursday afternoon, Mayor Tom Barrett and Nicole Angresano, the VP of Community Impact at United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County will tour the site as Health Department staff finishes preparations for the big event. This is the second of two Back to School Health Fairs hosted this summer by the Health Department with presenting sponsorship from United Way and support from other community partners.

Students accompanied by a parent or guardian can receive needed immunizations, vision and dental screenings, haircuts, and more. Free backpacks and school supplies will be provided to children with an up-to-date shot record, or those who receive vaccinations at the Aug. 26th health fair at South Division High School. The fair runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

School immunizations are required by state law in Wisconsin. Providing easy access to vaccinations continues to be important as vaccine-preventable illnesses like mumps, measles, and pertussis have seen a return nationwide.

The 2016 health fairs are presented in partnership with Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Children's Community Health Plan, United Healthcare, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Molina Healthcare, MHS Health Wisconsin, and iCare Independent Health Plan.

WHAT: 16th Annual Back-to-School Health Fair Final Preparations

WHERE: South Division High School

1515 W. Lapham Blvd., Milwaukee

TIME: Thursday, August 25th 12:30 p.m.

Hosts: Mayor Tom Barrett

Nicole Angresano

United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County

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